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re U.S. Patent Application of

TAKAMOTO et al.

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SHARING FILES AMONG MULTIPLE SERVERS**

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Art Unit 2163

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COVER LETTER

Sir:

☒ The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

FOR	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS ALREADY PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	11	11	XXX (Over 20)	x \$50	0
Independent Claims	3	3	XXX (Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
REDUCTION FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).				x ½	
TOTAL					0.00

In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

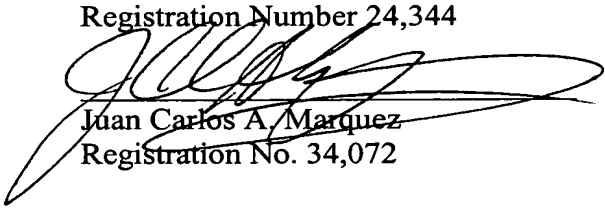
- ☒ Response to Office Action
(with Claim Amendments)
- ☐ Substitute Specification
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement

- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☐ Terminal Disclaimer
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- ☐ Request for Continued Examination

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 7, 2006, the period of response to which is set to expire on September 7, 2006. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: